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SUBJECT: TEXACO GULF PROBLEMS

REF. QUITO 6819

1. TEXACO VICE PRESIDENT SHIELDS TOLD DESK 16 OCTOBER THAT T-G MANAGER IN QUITO IS EXPECTED TO NOTIFY DRILL RIG CONTRACTOR ON AFTERNOON 17 OCTOBER THAT COMPANY'S SERVICES NO LONGER NEEDED AFTER COMPLETION NEXT TEST DRILLING. THIS NOTIFICATION WILL BE PASSED TO CEPE AND MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES THROUGH NORMAL CHANNELS IN SAME FASHION OTHER CLOSE-DOWN NOTIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN HANDLED. LETTER TO COMPANY WILL STATE THAT ITS SERVICES NO LONGER NEEDED AS RESULT OF PRODUCTION RESTRICTIONS AND LACK OF PERMISSIONS TO BORE NEW WELLS.

2. SHIELDS IS FULLY AWARE OF RISKS INVOLVED. HOWEVER, HE SAYS THAT BOTH GULF AND TEXACO FULLY AGREE THAT SOME GESTURE NECESSARY TO ACQUAINT GOE WITH SITUATION THEY FIND UNTENABLE. SHIELDS STATED THAT NO DIRECT RELATIONSHIP CAN BE DRAWN TO T-G LETTER TO PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ.

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3. DRILLING CONTRACT CAN BE RESTORED, IN EVENT OF SATIS-
FACTORY AGREEMENT BETWEEN OIL COMPANIES AND GOE, THROUGH
WITHDRAWAL NOTIFICATION.

4. QUESTION OF AID PHASEOUT IS SUBJECT OF SEPTEL. KISSINGER

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